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11. (C) Embassy Dushanbe concurs with reftel listing of Cotton produced in Tajikistan as being subject to E.O. 13126. Per the annual Trafficking in Persons report for Tajikistan, and other post- and department-generated reports, children continue to be forced to participate in the cotton industry in Tajikistan, in particular to participate in cotton harvesting.

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